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**Exit Ticket: Bill of Rights and First Amendment**

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**Directions:** Read through the following statements and write whether you agree or disagree that this is allowed under the Bill of Rights.

1. A person who enters a room and screams “Bomb!” just to see the reaction of the other people in the room.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

1. A police officer comes to your door and asks to look around your house because there are a lot of people in the city using drugs. You don’t want the officer to enter, but he breaks down your door and enters.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

1. The violence on our city streets is getting out of control, so the local government bans the sale of guns because that would lower the crime rate right away.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

1. If someone steals from another person, then the death penalty is an appropriate punishment for the crime because it allows people to get legal revenge.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

1. A man can distribute pamphlets telling people not to enlist in the war, even though there is a draft.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

1. Your parents have put a lot of time and money into the house they bought. But now government officials make your parents sell the house to them so a new highway can be built on the land.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

1. Even after September 11th, people should be able to practice Islamic religion in the United States because Americans are free to believe in whatever they want.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

1. Students from Augusta Fells Savage Institute of Visual Arts are upset with the infrequency of trash pick up that they petition the local government to increase the number of days trash is collected.

**Agree / Disagree: Amendment:**

**Short Answer Part I:**

**Read:** In 2002, the United States Supreme Court ruled that cities may set guidelines for demonstrations (protests) in public parks. —*Thomas et al. v. Chicago Park District*

**Questions:**

1. Why might people protest in public parks? (1 point)

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1. What purpose of government might protesting interfere with? Explain. (2 points)

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1. Which amendment is in question in this scenario? (1 point)

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1. What specific individual freedom is affected by the Supreme Court decision? (1 point)

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1. Do you agree with the Supreme Court’s decision? Why or why not? (3 points)

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**Short Answer Part II:**

**Read:** The first amendment states that there must be “freedom of petition”.

**Questions:**

1. What is a petition?

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1. If you wanted to petition the government, what steps would you need to take?

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1. Create a petition below. Your petition must have the group or part of government that you are petitioning as well as the reason why you are petitioning. There should also be a place delegated for signatures: